PROC. BIOL. SOC. WASH. 91(4), 1978, p. 1037 A SUBSTITUTE NAME FOR THE HOMONYM APHELOCYTHERE HOBBS AND PETERS (OSTRACODA, ENTOCYTHERIDAE)

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Abstract.—The name Waltoncythere is proposed to replace the homonym Aphelocythere Hobbs and Peters (1977, Smithsonian Contrib. Zool. 247:21), a name preoccupied by Aphelocythere Triebel and Klingler (1959, Geol. Jb. 76:338).

Hobbs and Peters (1977:21) proposed the generic name Aphelocythere to receive a single species Aphelocythere acuta described by them in the same publication. The fact that the generic name is a homonym was pointed out to us by Dr. H. J. Oertli of the Centre Micoulau, Pau, France, and Herr Hans E. E. Petersen of the Zoologisches Institut und Zoologisches Museum, Hamburg, Germany, to whom we extend our thanks. Our name was preoccupied by Aphelocythere Triebel and Klingler (1959:338) that was coined to receive a fossil marine species, A. undulata (Cytheridae-Progonocytherinae, from the Lias).

We propose the feminine name Waltoncythere as a substitute for Aphelocythere Hobbs and Peters, and assign to it only the type-species, Waltoncythere acuta (Hobbs and Peters, 1977:21).

This new name is chosen in memory of our late friend and fellow student of entocytherids, Margaret Walton.

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